

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2281**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Torres**

February 24, 2012

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An act to amend Section 53115.1 of the Government Code, relating to emergencies.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2281, as introduced, Torres. Emergencies: the State 911 Advisory Board.

The Warren-911-Emergency Assistance Act establishes the State 911 Advisory Board to advise on specified subjects relating to the state's 911 emergency telephone response system. The board is comprised of 11 members who are appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor.

This bill would add 2 members to the advisory board who would be selected by the Legislature, as specified. This bill would also eliminate the ability of a member of the advisory board to designate another to act in his or her place.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 53115.1 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 53115.1. (a) There is in state government the State 911
- 4 Advisory Board.

(b) The advisory board shall be comprised of the following members appointed by the Governor who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(1) The Chief of the California 911 Emergency Communications Office shall serve as the nonvoting chair of the board.

(2) One representative from the Department of the California Highway Patrol.

(3) Two representatives on the recommendation of the California Police Chiefs Association.

(4) Two representatives on the recommendation of the California State Sheriffs' Association.

(5) Two representatives on the recommendation of the California Fire Chiefs Association.

(6) Two representatives on the recommendation of the CalNENA Executive Board.

(7) One representative on the joint recommendation of the executive boards of the state chapters of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials-International, Inc.

*(c) The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint one member of the advisory board, who will serve at the pleasure of the Speaker.*

*(d) The Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Rules shall appoint one member of the advisory board, who will serve at the pleasure of the chairperson.*

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*(e)* Recommending authorities shall give great weight and consideration to the knowledge, training, and expertise of the appointee with respect to their experience within the California 911 system. Board members should have at least two years of experience as a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) manager or county coordinator, except where a specific person is designated as a member.

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*(f)* Members of the advisory board *selected under subdivision (b)* shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, but may not serve more than two consecutive two-year terms, except as follows:

(1) The presiding Chief of the California 911 Emergency Communications Office shall serve for the duration of his or her tenure.

(2) Four of the members shall serve an initial term of three years.

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1 (g) Advisory board members shall not receive compensation  
2 for their service on the board, but may be reimbursed for travel  
3 and per diem for time spent in attending meetings of the board.

4 (f)

5 (h) The advisory board shall meet quarterly in public sessions  
6 in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article  
7 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of  
8 Division 3 of Title 2). The division shall provide administrative  
9 support to the State 911 Advisory Board. The State 911 Advisory  
10 Board, at its first meeting, shall adopt bylaws and operating  
11 procedures consistent with this article and establish committees  
12 as necessary.

13 ~~(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any member~~  
14 ~~of the advisory board may designate a person to act as that member~~  
15 ~~in his or her place and stead for all purposes, as though the member~~  
16 ~~were personally present.~~